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Rutland News Suggests That the Striking Decrease of Births In France May Indicate the Stork Has Eloped With the Dove of Peace

## VILLAGE OF SOUTH LONDONDERRY FIRE SWEEP

Store, Garage and Two Dwellings Completely Destroyed

LOSS WILL BE NEARLY \$15,000

Telephone Calls to Adjoining Towns Raised Fire-Fighting Force of 500 Men.

Brattleboro, July 20.—Fire which originated this morning at 3:40 o'clock in the home of A. H. Raybrook on Main street in South Londonderry did damage of \$15,000 before it was brought under control at 7 o'clock by the efforts of the hand engine company of that village aided by one from North Londonderry and about 500 men who responded to the telephone alarm for help from the surrounding villages.

The buildings destroyed were the general store of George G. Smith over which was a tenement occupied by Julian B. Johnson, a son-in-law of Mr. Smith; a garage owned by Mr. Smith, the residence occupied by Mr. Raybrook which was owned by Dr. B. F. Millington, the residence of Mrs. George Robinson and the residence of Henry A. Darling.

The contents of two of the houses were saved from the buildings and carried across the street but the heat from the fire became so intense that many of the articles saved were destroyed.

Hunt's Tavern and livery stable, the residence of D. L. Benson and the Al-

bee tenement across the street were on fire several times but the determined work of the volunteer fire fighters saved them from destruction although they are considerably damaged.

The fire was discovered by D. G. Smith a neighbor, just after 3:30 o'clock and he immediately raised the alarm. The residence of Mr. Raybrook was then burning briskly. The family managed to escape unharm although it was impossible for them to save much in the way of clothing or furniture.

The breeze from the north drove the flames away from the greater part of the village and this undoubtedly prevented a greater loss than has been sustained. The store building of Mr. Smith, being close to the Raybrook house, caught fire almost immediately and then the flames spread in order to the other two houses. In the store building was the barber shop of Fred E. Phelps. Practically nothing was saved from the store and the loss of Mr. Smith is placed at between \$10,000 and \$11,000, partially covered by insurance.

The loss on the Darling house is placed at \$2000, on the Raybrook house at \$1500 and on the Robinson house at \$1200, all partly insured.

The Melendy telephone system was worked to the limit immediately after it was realized that the fire was beyond local control. The message sent to the north village caused the hand engine from that place to be rushed over the road in record time and it was soon on the bank of the river pumping water at the side of the engine owned in South Londonderry.

From Jamaica, Weston, Chester and Winhall men poured into the village by teams and autos and spelled the tired men on the pumps of the engines and relieved those whose faces and hands were blistered by the fierce heat as they handled the nozzles or used buckets of water and pail chemical extinguishers.

### ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING

Finnish Marble Worker Has Bullet in His Back

Erich Penttil, a Finnish marble worker, employed by the Vermont Marble company at Rutland, was accidentally shot, presumably by Theodore Varga, also a marble worker, while returning on foot to the mill after the dinner hour Monday afternoon. The rifle ball entered his back and lodged in the thoracic cavity. Although the wound is serious it is not necessarily fatal. Penttil is at Proctor hospital. He is unmarried.

## LOW PRICED ADVERTISING

### FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Safe, inside measurements 4' x 2' x 12' inches in good condition. Very low price if taken at once. Cooper Mfg. Co. 3140

FOR SALE—One half mare, 12 years old, true and extra good driver. Weight 900 lb. A. H. Bishop, Gilbert's Bakery. 3141

FOR SALE—Ten tons of last year's hay and about 10 tons of hay standing. Apply Gacy Farm Bennington Falls. 3142

FOR SALE—One Kelsey hot air heater in perfect condition, including registers and piping. Will sell complete for a cash price of heater alone. Inquire of L. L. Gokay at Gokay's Drug Store. 3143

FOR SALE—At great sacrifice a 1915 four cylinder five passenger Studebaker car, with extra tires, tubes, chains, etc. Also second hand Ford at various prices. Write, Phone or call at the Arlington Garage. Tel. 15-11 290

FOR SALE—1 cow for sale, giving good milk, also boards wanted. Apply to Mrs. H. Green, North Bennington. 3144

FOR SALE—Garden truck and fruit farm. 12 acres rich soil, good 8 room house with running water, cow barn, water shed, horse barn, poultry house, 2 splendidly located on State road, 3 minutes walk from station. Price \$200. \$1200 cash, balance on mortgage at 5 percent. Nash & Hutchins. 3145

FOR SALE—Farm of 100 acres, good rich strong soil, comfortable houses, horse barn, wagon shed, wood shed, 1 1/2 miles of woods, orchard of 50 trees. This farm is just off the main road, 4 miles from Bennington. Price \$1000. Nash & Hutchins. 3146

FOR SALE—Small place with one acre of good land, good 5 room house, barn, 10000 2 poultry houses, 16 head bearing apple trees, variety of shrubs and berries, garden and good well at house. Located between North Bennington and South Shaftsbury. Price \$800. Nash & Hutchins. 3147

FOR SALE—Lot on Elm street, fine location for a lawn. Lot on Elm street, fine location for a lawn. Lot on Elm street, fine location for a lawn. 3148

FOR SALE—Modern 8 room house, slate roof, piazza, city water and toilet; property in the repair, located in good residential section, 5 minutes from Main St. and Troy. Price \$1000. Nash & Hutchins. 3149

FOR SALE—One four cylinder five passenger 1915 Buick. Power steering, touring car. This car is in excellent condition and will be sold at a very low figure. E. W. Williams, The Bennington Garage. 3150

FOR SALE—The large brick dwelling on Pleasant St. in the Village of Bennington, formerly occupied by the late Anna C. Furr. This house has spacious grounds and contains fourteen large rooms, twelve pantries, bath room, large wood shed and four room cellar. It is equipped with all modern improvements. This place, which is one of the most desirable in Bennington, will be sold at a very reasonable price. Apply to H. H. Webster, R. E. Healy or Edward J. Hall, Bennington. 3151

FOR SALE—The Worthington homestead in North Bennington, Vt., consisting of 2 story house, porch across entire front and part of each side, hot air furnace, Kewanee water system, bath room and electric range. Large, roomy barn, suitable for garage, cement walks, new lawn, gravel driveway, also garage. Lot has frontage of over 100 feet. An ideal place for anyone desiring a home with all modern improvements. Will be sold reasonably. Inquire of H. H. Jones, First National Bank, or of Mrs. W. H. Worthington, on premises, North Bennington, Vt. 3152

FOR SALE—Broilers, roasting chickens and fowl, dressed to order and delivered. Also fresh eggs. Mountain View Poultry Farm, Tel. 12-14. 3153

FOR SALE—Family driving horse, weight 1000 lbs., age 7 years. Also carriage, sleigh, harness and robes. J. D. Whittier, 30 Shaftsbury. 3154

## REMINGTON STRIKE THIS FAR LOOKS LIKE FAILURE

Only Few Machinists Respond to Order to Quit

MISUNDERSTANDING CLAIMED

Rumored That Company Has Promised Men Eight-Hour Day and More Pay.

Bridgeport, Ct., July 20.—The strike call issued for the machinists working in the plants of the Remington Arms and Ammunition company and four sub-contractors brought out today, according to the estimates of the labor leaders, in the neighborhood of 175 men. The manufacturers through the president of the Bridgeport Manufacturers' association said that exactly 28 men had walked out.

The labor men admitted tonight that not a man had left work in the main plant of the Remington company at noon today. They said the failure of the men to quit work was due to a misunderstanding, but that they would not go to work tomorrow morning. They added that the night force of machinists at the Remington plant had failed to go to work tonight.

Pickets were at work tonight and they were said to have been responsible for the strike of the night force. Pickets said the labor men would also be responsible for none of the day force going to work tomorrow.

Thomas J. Savage, member of the executive board of the International Association of Machinists, was responsible for the statement that a conference was in progress in New York tonight which might lead to a settlement of the difficulties.

Mr. Savage also said that he had received information that Frank Jennings and J. P. Conlon, vice presidents of the machinists, were at present engaged in determining which factories in this country were making goods for consumption by the Remington company with the view of calling the machinists in those shops out on a strike and thereby cutting off the supply.

Shortly after noon today it was said that the walk-out had been accomplished in all of the shops where it had been subjected. This was quickly followed by the news that not a man had left the Remington plant. Rumor had it that Maj. W. G. Penfield, manager of the Remington company, had offered the men an eight-hour day with a dollar a day added to their wages if they would remain at work. The men were said to have accepted the offer. This the labor leaders deny. They say no offer was accepted.

### WELSH STRIKE ENDED

Lloyd-George Scores Success in Reaching Agreement

Cardiff, July 20.—Subject to ratification by the miners themselves through delegates who will assemble tomorrow, representative of the government and the coal mine owners on the one hand, and the Executive Committee of the South Wales Miners' Federation on the other, agreed today to terms that, it is thought, will end the coal miners' strike, which, since last Thursday, has tied up the South Wales coal fields and menaced the supply of fuel for the navy.

The terms arrived at grant a substantial increase in wages and involve concessions to the strikers which are considered by the Executive Committee as tantamount to an admission of the miners' claims on nearly all the outstanding points. Tonight the delegates were visiting their districts, canvassing the sentiment there preparatory to tomorrow's vote.

If tomorrow's meeting should bring a settlement of the strike the thanks of the country will go chiefly to David Lloyd George, the Manchestrian Minister for it was his arrival here last night that paved the way for breaking the deadlock between the miners and the mine owners.

### Little Wonder Workers.

Cole's Little Wonder Workers the liver pill that contains the new cathartic Phenolphthalein and the old cathartic Aloin combined to make the most effective little liver pill you ever had. Prompt, safe and sure relief in any case of disordered stomach, constipation, biliousness and liver troubles. Forty little sugar coated pills for 25 cents. Sold only by Harold W. Cole, Pharmacist.

### MR. BATTLES TO LEAVE

Has For Many Years Been One of Leading Citizens of Bennington.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Battles and daughter Margaret expect to leave Bennington within a few weeks for Putnam, Conn., where they will reside in the future and where Mr. Battles and his brother-in-law, Orrin B. Bowen, also of Bennington, have leased the Empire moving picture theatre.

Mr. Battles came to Bennington twenty years ago from Fitchburg and took up a position in the Holden-Leonard mill as cloth designer. Within a few years he was advanced to a responsible position which he has ably filled until his resignation several days ago. Several years after his coming to Bennington, he married Miss Andria Bowen.

During his twenty years of citizenship, Mr. Battles served as trustee, town moderator, village president and license commissioner and has always proved a hard worker in any matter concerning the welfare and progress of Bennington. He is a member of the Elks and the Bennington Club and has been Master of the Mt. Anthony Lodge, F. & A. M., having always taken a prominent part in the various activities of these associations.

Mr. Battles has for several years been chairman of the Republican county committee and an active worker in the Republican party. Whatever he undertakes he accomplishes with force and directness which indicates his energy and resource.

In the departure of Mr. Battles, Bennington will lose one of its most patriotic and popular citizens and his departure will be regretted by his large number of friends and well-wishers.

Mrs. Battles has many friends in Bennington, and, although subjected to ill health, has taken a leading part in many of the social functions of the town. Miss Margaret is one of Bennington's popular young girls and has many friends who will sincerely regret her departure.

### Playground Notes.

Children! There will be a party for you tomorrow afternoon at the Playground. All the games you like best, both boys and girls, with stories by a splendid story teller and last, but not least, all something to eat. All children under twelve are invited. Come at 3 and play until 5.

The tennis scores for yesterday were as follows: Julia Brazil won from Helen Carpenter 10-8; 10-8. Helen Sullivan won from Alice Summers 6-8; 6-2; 6-1. Ruth Godfrey won from Esther Thompson 9-7; 7-5. The preliminary sets will be finished by tonight. The finals will be played at the playground Saturday afternoon, if possible.

The Tahkonee Camp Fire girls gave a lawn party at the home of Lois Estes on Silver street last evening in honor of Mabel Sutton who is to leave soon for West Collingswood, N. J. Members of the Benhithwa group were invited. About twenty-five were present and a happy time was reported by all.

This Playground juniors defeated the Recreation Stars at the playground yesterday with the score 20 to 3. The battery for the juniors was Weeks and Pratt; for the Recreation Stars was Gold, Weichmann and Stoppelio.

### WEATHER

For eastern New York and western Vermont cloudy tonight, Thursday fair. Moderate temperature.

## GERMAN GUNS NOW SHELLING FORTS OF WARSAW

Invaders Have Reached Point Only 15 Miles from Capital

RUSSIAN LINES AGAIN PIERCED

At Berlin It Is Predicted That the Polish Capital Will Be in German Hands Inside Two Weeks.

Berlin, via The Hague, July 21.—Shells from the big guns of the Germans and Austrians are now falling on the outskirts of Warsaw and it is predicted here that the Polish capital will be in German hands inside a fortnight.

The advance from the south is now within 15 miles of the city and the Russian line has been pierced again at two points. Aviators report that heavily loaded trains are leaving Warsaw at frequent intervals and that the city appears to be in a panic.

London, July 21.—From the shores of the Gulf of Riga in the north to that part of Southern Poland into which they drove the Russians back from Galicia, the Austro-German armies are still surging forward, and if Warsaw can be denied them it will be almost a miracle.

This seems to be the opinion even among those in England who heretofore have been hopeful that the Russians would turn and deliver a counter blow, and news of the evacuation of the Polish capital, followed by the triumphant entry of the Germans amid such scenes as were enacted at Premysl and Lemberg, would come as no surprise.

The German official statement, beginning at the northern tip of the eastern battle line, records the progress of the German troops to within fifty miles of Riga. Then, following the great battle at southward, chronicles further successes in the sector northeast of Warsaw, culminating in the capture of Ostrolenka, one of the fortresses designed to shield the capital.

The acute peril to Warsaw is accentuated by the Russian official communication which says the German columns are within artillery range of the fortress of Novo Georgievsk, the key to the capital from the northwest and only about twenty miles from it.

Immediately southwest of the city, seventeen miles from it, Blonie has fallen, and further south Grojec, twenty-six miles distant, while German cavalry have captured Radom, capital of the province of that name, on the railroad to the great fortress of Ivangorod. The Lublin-Chelm Railway is still in the hands of the Russians, so far as is known, but the Russian Commander in Chief has issued through the Civil Governor, an order that in case of retreat from the town of Lublin, the male population is to attach itself to the retreating troops.

The belief is expressed in Danish military circles, according to a Copenhagen dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company, that the Germans intend to use Windau and Tukum as bases for operations designed to result in the capture of Riga, which

would be used as a new naval base after the Gulf of Riga had been cleared of mines.

Berlin, July 20, (by wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—Military critics of all the newspapers point out that the battle raging between the Vistula and the Bug rivers is of decisive importance. The belief is expressed that the Russians will tenaciously resist the onslaught, throwing their best troops forward from Petrograd and Moscow. The Imperial household troops have been held back until now, the writers say.

### BAND CONCERT TONIGHT

Program for Entertainment at Cottage Hotel This Evening.

The band will give a concert this evening from the Cottage hotel piazza with the following program: March—"Light Cavalry"—Poet and Peasant; Waltz—"Kathlyn"—Smith; Overture—"Banditenstreich"—Suppe; Medley Overture—"Bits of Remick's Hits"—Lampe; March—"Manhattan Beach"—Souza; Selection—"The Victory"—Herbert; Gavotte—"Captivating"—Tobani; March—"King of Hearts"—Losek; The Star Spangled Banner.

### HATCH SURRENDERS

Starvation Compelled Fugitive to Leave Hiding Place.

St. Johnsbury, July 20.—Unable to withstand the pangs of hunger from a last beginning Sunday night, Harlow Hatch, for whom Sheriff W. H. Worthen and 25 deputies have been searching the country as a fugitive in connection with the death of Sumner Brown here last Sunday evening, tonight dragged himself from a barn near the Roy Brothers' boarding house in East Barnet, seven miles south of St. Johnsbury and sought refuge in a nearby house.

The exhausted man had barely reached what he supposed was a haven when word was sent to Sheriff Worthen, and a half hour later the young man was in the custody of officers on his way to the Caledonia county jail, where he waits a hearing as to his knowledge of events which culminated in the death of Sumner Brown, an employee in Hatch's pool room.

No attempt was made tonight to secure a statement from Hatch as to his connection with the affair as the fugitive was in no condition to tell his story.

### \$15,000 FOR PITCHER FISHER

Friends of Former Middlebury Boy Hear of Jennings' Offer.

Middlebury, July 20.—Word was received today by close friends of Ray L. Fisher of this town, pitcher on the New York American league baseball team, that Hugh Jennings, manager of the Detroit American team, has made an offer of \$15,000 to Manager Donovan of the New York team for Fisher.

Fisher, who is a native of Middlebury and a graduate of Middlebury college, has been physical instructor at Middlebury college. His wife is a Middlebury woman.

### WILLIAMSTOWN BOY SHOT

Norman Bates Accidentally Fires Bullet Through His Body.

Norman Bates, 16, son of Charles Bates of Williamstown was accidentally shot early yesterday afternoon while shooting at a target in a meadow not far from his home. The boy went out shooting with another boy named William Sprague and the latter states that Bates himself accidentally fired a shot from the rifle which hit him in the left side. The bullet passed entirely through the boy's body. He was attended by Dr. Hull and was at once removed to the North Adams hospital where it was reported last evening that his condition was good and there was a chance for his recovery.

### STEAMER ON FIRE

London, Wednesday, July 21.—A Reuter dispatch from Durban, South Africa, says that the Peninsular and Oriental Line steamer Benalla, with 800 emigrants on board, bound from London to Australia, is 800 miles east of Durban in the Indian Ocean. The cargo in one of the steamer's holds is burning.

The steamer Otaki, 1500 miles off, picked up a wireless dispatch from the Benalla asking for aid, and the Benalla is now steaming to meet the Otaki.

SEWING MACHINES—Should be thoroughly cleaned and readjusted about every ten years. Now if your machine drops stitches, loops, breaks the thread or does not feed good, take advantage of my work and I will guarantee full satisfaction. Supplies of all kinds. Order a bottle of my stainless oil, will leave no stain on goods. Alexander Hart, 123 Pleasant Street, Bennington, Vt. 2816

## ITALIANS ASSAULT AUSTRIAN LINE WITH VIGOR

Tired of Slow Progress Italians Storm Austrian Forts

ATTACK ALONG 75-MILE FRONT

Carso Trenches Stormed and Two Thousand Prisoners Taken In One Day's Fighting.

Turin, July 20, (dispatch to The London Daily Chronicle).—The great battle on the most important sector of all in the Italo-Austrian war, that of the Isonzo River, appears to be nearing its culminating phase. A general assault is at this moment going forward all along the seventy-five-mile front from Tarvis to the Adriatic shore.

In the northern district, from Malborghetto to Caporetto, the giant task has been confided chiefly to the bigger artillery. There, as well as in the central tract down to Goritz, the Przemysl of the Isonzo, greater progress has already been realized than I am permitted to specify, for at a number of points where the Italians have cleared the way for a rapid and decisive advance such partial and isolated advances are being withheld lest they should lead to the formation of an insecure salient which without immediate support could not perhaps be held, even at the cost of a heavy sacrifice of life.

The most pronounced is the victorious Italian advance lower down on the Carso plateau, east of Sagrado. Here a terrific onslaught lasted the whole day on Monday, during which there was a co-ordinated movement between the advance of the largest masses of infantry yet employed, and the continuous support of heavy guns and field pieces. It worked out to perfection. Before the sun had sunk below the horizon the Italians had carried row upon row of terraced trenches on rising ground, thickly sown with barbed-wire entanglements and studded with armored bomb-proof shelters. They bayoneted the defenders by hundreds and captured 2,000 prisoners, among them 30 officers; 1,000 rifles, six quick-firing guns, and a good quantity of ammunition.

### ANOTHER CIRCUS LICENSED

LaTena's Three-Ring Wild Animal Show Coming to Vermont.

Northfield, July 19.—Another circus has been licensed to operate in Vermont. It is LaTena's big three-ring wild animal show, and the dates arranged are as follows: Bellows Falls July 20, Chester Depot July 21, Muehster, July 22, Bennington July 23, Middlebury July 24, Bristol July 25 and Rutland July 26.

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